## House Resolution No. 3259

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educators who have admirably ensured that students are provided with challenging, rewarding, and productive learning environments in preparation for roles as lifelong learners and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Karen Colton-Millsap of Mount Vernon has attained considerable distinction as a high school speech and debate teacher with the Aurora R-VIII School District, an educational entity which educates more than twenty-one hundred students through the skilled services of nearly two hundred certificated staff in two elementary, one junior high, and one high school facilities in Lawrence County; and

**Whereas**, after an educational career which spanned twenty-five years, Karen Colton-Millsap will bring her teaching activities to a close in retirement during June 2004; and

Whereas, Karen Colton-Millsap developed and maintained an exceptional reputation as the recipient of a National Forensic League Third Diamond Key Coach Award, two State Championships, and fifty District Championship titles; director of more than fifty plays and reader theater productions; coach of fifteen State Finalists and 64 State Qualifiers; and as a former teacher at Marion C. Early, Chadwick, and Crane schools; and

Whereas, Karen Colton-Millsap also deserves mention of her exemplary work with Southwest Missouri Speech and Theatre, the Speech and Theatre Association of Missouri, the National Forensic League, and the National Forensic League District Committee; and

**Whereas**, Karen Colton-Millsap is the beloved wife of John Millsap and the loving mother of Jake Millsap; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily endeavors in order to acknowledge momentous occasions in the lives and careers of such stellar citizens as Karen Colton-Millsap:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud Karen Colton-Millsap's long, productive career and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Karen Colton-Millsap of Mount Vernon, Missouri.

Offered by	
_	Representative Jack Goodman
	District No. 132

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3259, adopted May 27, 2004.